

## Students advised to delay criticism of OSAP changes

By P. C. Reitzel

Students worried about the effect of the Ontario government's elimination of OSAP grants are being advised to wait until the changes are finalized before they criticize the cuts.

Doug Anderson, policy advisor in the Student Support Branch at the Ministry of Colleges and Universities said, "People should wait until the nitty gritty details have been worked out before deciding how they feel about the changes."

Anderson said that changes to the system, making OSAP a loan only program, will not be finalized until the end of January.

The amount of money the government can loan students can increase but Anderson said the province can no longer afford to support the

grant program.

"We have been getting a lot of calls about the changes," Anderson said. "Mostly it is people expressing opinions for and against the changes."

Ontario Colleges and Universities Minister Richard Allen announced Dec. 12 that his ministry would cut \$235 million in grants from the OSAP program and increase loan funding by \$132 million, to a total of \$800 million for 1993-94.

Students with special needs will have access to \$11 million in bursaries.

The changes to the student loan program are expected to save \$200 million over the next two years.

The most significant changes to OSAP have already affected Ontario students.

Richard Jackson, manager of policy communications in the Student Support branch at the Ministry of Colleges and Universities, said that a new, sophisticated computer system at the ministry office in Thunder Bay will process student loan applications faster than ever before.

"The current database will confirm the year of the returning student, status as a new student, current address, program information and updated financial information," Jackson said.

"The new system is faster, freeing your (the college's) financial aid office of paperwork and allowing more time for student's concerns."

Jackson said the new system is necessary because of increased student aid applications and decreased staff levels at the ministry.

"There was a lot of room for improvement with the old system, with its 12-page application."

"Most applicants only needed to fill out two to four pages and left the rest blank," Jackson said.

The new single-page OSAP application will be mailed directly to the student's home, bypassing the financial aid office, and be filled out and mailed to the ministry.

The application will be processed and financial information will be cross-referenced with income tax and employment records.

The new computer system allows the ministry to cross-reference applications faster, speeding up the loan process and making it easier to investigate potential abuse.

"Ninety per cent of applicants are honest and we expect that some

people who previously accepted grants and did not need the money will re-evaluate what they need and borrow less."

Jackson said there is no significant problem with fraudulent applications and OSAP "skips", or loan default rates, are at 2.1 per cent, approximately \$1.2 million.

Jackson says feedback on the changes to OSAP from Ontario schools has been positive.

"Most institutions like the streamlining of the paperwork," Jackson said, adding "It gives the financial aid offices more time to deal with the urgent-need individuals and it helps eliminate a lot of the 'Where is my application?' phone calls."

Nancy Thomas of the financial aid office thinks the new changes are great, "I hope it works. Now we just have to wait and see."

## Series of upgrading projects planned for Doon campus

By Christian Englund

Conestoga College's director of physical resources, Dave Putt, announced a series of upgrading projects aimed at reducing energy consumption and improving air quality at the Doon Campus.

The announcement comes on the heels of the provincial government's decision to give an additional \$30 million over the next two years to post-secondary institutions, of which Conestoga College will receive \$139,900.

The funds are being distributed

through a program called Jobs Ontario Capital, which is designed to increase the number of people in the workforce, and stimulate market spending.

As a result, each of the five projects planned for the college are labor intensive.

This means that 60 per cent of the funds must be spent on the cost of labor for the project, and 40 per cent on material costs.

Not only will the projects stimulate jobs outside of the college but within as well.

"These projects will save jobs

within the college because of lower energy and operating costs," said Dave Putt.

One of the projects, which began Jan. 11, is to install access hatches in the air ducts on the third and fourth floors of the college to allow for regular cleaning, which in turn will result in better air quality and energy conservation due to improved efficiency of the system.

On Jan. 18 workers will begin to replace the steel U channels running along the ceilings of the 2A and 2B wings.

"The U channels are natural traps for dust and dead flies," said Putt.

As a result, the air returns located above the channel collect and blow the debris throughout the corridors. As well, the fluorescent lighting in these halls will be replaced by more efficient bulbs called T-8s.

"The T-8s use 50 per cent less energy than the bulbs in use now, which should help to cut costs," said Putt.

Two projects are scheduled to begin over the March break. One is aimed at installing a suspended ceiling in the student services office located above the stairs to the main cafeteria. Access hatches will be added to the air ducts. In addition, the lights will be replaced with the T-8 model of energy efficient bulbs. The other project is the upgrading of lighting in the maintenance and mechanical areas at Doon.

The existing incandescent bulbs will be replaced with fluorescent fixtures from previous projects allowing for better quality of lighting and safer working conditions.

The open-water cooling system used in the main cafeteria which wastes approximately 38,000 gallons of water per year will be replaced with a closed system which will minimize water usage and additional operation costs.

Dave Putt also added that if any of these projects runs under the estimated costs the remaining money would be used to fund additional upgrading projects the college wishes to pursue.

## Comedian adds strong message to humor

By Jason Schneider

Kevin Hughes's poster billed him as "the world's funniest advisor on life, love and relationships in the 1990s." An obvious question, then, was what are his credentials?

"I'm a comic first and foremost," Hughes said, but quickly added, "on my way to becoming a motivational speaker."

The 41-year-old North Carolina native looks like Tom Arnold (Mr. Roseanne) with a bad haircut. Even so, Hughes was very effective in convincing a capacity cafeteria crowd that he was a sex machine.

Hughes's Jan. 12 performance at Doon campus got off to a slow start with several jokes dwelling on common American perceptions of Canada, namely, the weather, the beer and the lack of crime. Yet, once Hughes began his main routines on sex and dating, the audience was won over by his honesty and charm.

Hughes's peppered the usual jokes on male and female behaviour with a hyperactive delivery and motivational techniques like, "to be a successful lover, you have to love yourself first."

Hughes added some social commentary to his act by discussing date rape in graphic detail.

In fact, Hughes's entire hour featured what some might call obscene material, yet Hughes prefers to call his material realistic.

"I used to do a little bit at the end about my wife and babies," said Hughes. "Then one night there was a lady psychiatrist in the audience who told me that I was the first man she had heard who publicly spoke of his wife as an equal. I realized that she was right. I mean, when you're in love with someone, you're not allowed to say it."

The only uncomfortable moment for the audience came when Hughes told a story of a confrontation he had with an ex-football player with AIDS in a public washroom.

"I was in the army, so I knew how to stop guys a hundred different ways. But when this guy got me from behind, I wasn't expecting it at all. That's the thing guys, when you become aggressive with a woman, they aren't expecting it, so they can't fight back."

In essence, Hughes's message was that each partner in a relationship cannot understand every need the other may have and to accept that.

"Men and women have to know these two premises," Hughes explains. "One is that for me to have something, you don't have to lose something. And two, because the man is behaving different from the woman, or vice versa, doesn't mean it's wrong."

Kevin Hughes's performance was sponsored by Conestoga College's Women's Safety Audit Group and the Doon Student Association. He strongly urged both sexes to pay a visit to the Audit Group if they had any questions about date rape.



Kevin Hughes performing on stage at Doon campus, Jan. 12.

(Photo by Natasha Sweeney)



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## Do we really have to know?

Some students attending Conestoga College's Doon campus in the future may come from the new women's prison to be built in the Pioneer Park area. College president John Tibbits has said that he would prefer if faculty knew which students in their classes were inmates.



By Kim Louie

This raises an important issue. How far can society infringe on personal rights?

The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act would only allow access to inmates' records if faculty could prove that knowing the identity of the women was necessary to carry out classroom activities.

Should these female inmates be allowed to attend classes (and there's no reason they shouldn't), releasing their identities to faculty would be setting a dangerous precedent.

Does Conestoga view itself as an educational institution filled with saintly students who should be protected from bad influences? Are the female inmates who may attend classes at Conestoga more criminal than students already at Doon who have already served prison time for a past crime?

Maybe it will become policy in the future for post-secondary institutions to ask applicants for the details of their criminal records, so the bad apples can be identified and kept an eye on from the start. It may even become a standard question on application forms.

Should either faculty or administration be given the right to know the identities of student inmates for safety reasons, then the precedent will have been laid for the access of such information from every student's record. Perhaps the criminal records of faculty members should be released as well. Something the teacher's union would never allow, nor should it.

If, in the future, faculty were made aware of which students had criminal records, people with criminal records may be discouraged from applying to a college or university, thereby being robbed of an opportunity to a better education because of bias.

It is society's duty to rehabilitate criminals. Locking up people for several years does little else but keep them out of sight, an ineffective and highly expensive proposition.

This doesn't mean prisoners who pose a threat to others should be jettisoned into the population, but if an inmate shows potential for reintegration and "normality", then that is a better option.

The persecution of people for their criminal records will only create bitter individuals who will become burdens on society, causing them to take the well-travelled road of career criminals.

There is only one thing that can accurately be predicted about the future — it is determined by decisions made in the past. It can only be hoped that the Conestoga will chose the right path at this fork in the road and allow future inmates to attend school, better their education and begin the slow process of coming back into society without having to squirm under scrutiny of Conestoga's administration and faculty.

## Letters to the editor

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# OPINION



## Saddam Hussein up to old tricks

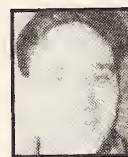
Well here we go again. The recent military movement in the Middle East is renewing the uneasiness and worries of the rest of the world. Allied forces are dealing with Saddam Hussein's defiance and have again begun to retaliate.

But, rather than slapping Saddam Hussein in line every time he acts up, there is a better solution — capture him. This is clearly what the allied forces should have done during the Gulf War in 1991.

By letting Hussein continue to rule Iraq the allies have subjected themselves to more tyranny and aggressiveness leaving only God himself to know what the next move out of Iraq will bring.

Two years after the war it seems "public enemy number one," has become tired of living under the regulations of the United Nations and, like the typical class clown, decided to see how far he can go before getting the strap.

We aren't going to go so far as to



By Jason Schmidt

say Hussein is ignorant and stupid, but one might think he would learn by his mistakes. Judging by his latest shenanigans though, he proved us wrong.

Within the past month Hussein has ignored the no-fly zone, distributed surface-to-air missiles on the Kuwait border, and sent Iraqi soldiers into Kuwait to seize a large quantity of weapons.

In response to these latest behavioral problems, the United States along with the British and French forces, launched a small 30-minute air attack on Wednesday, Jan. 13.

When the brief air raid was over, the allies had destroyed only half of the plotted targets and killed a small number of Iraqis.

The report out of the Pentagon

after the attack was that only half the targets were actually hit and, another such air strike may be needed.

That's fine, but continued air strikes to minimize the current corruption provided by its leader can prove to be costly, time consuming and nerve wracking.

The simple solution is to again send soldiers into Iraq and take out the problem. If we can remember correctly, the last time allied ground forces invaded, the resistance was minimal.

Thousands of Iraqi soldiers surrendered and threw themselves at the allied forces' feet, proving that the promise of the Americans and other countries experiencing "the mother of all battles" was as hollow as the space between Hussein's ears. There is no doubt in our mind that Hussein himself is the problem and by forcibly removing him from his homeland the rest of the world can be rid of the underhanded tyranny he preaches.

## Perfect body image should be toned down

There is an old saying that says you can't judge a book by its cover. This is something we have heard at one time or another when we were growing up. It was drilled into our heads that physical appearances weren't everything. Rather, it was what was on the inside that mattered.

Why does our society place such a great emphasis on physical appearances? The blame can be placed on the media, which is responsible for promoting the perfect body.

The public is constantly being bombarded by false images of the glamorous physique from the media.

Nearly every commercial, fashion magazine ad, television program, billboard and movie uses people who have perfect bodies to promote products.

In beer commercials, seldom do we see a person with a beer-belly. Instead we see men and scantily clad women enjoying the good life. The advertisers are trying to portray how their customers should look.



By Julie Magee

A few years ago, Skor chocolate bar had an ad that said, "you can never be too rich or too thin." Eventually the company pulled the ad due to complaints.

The entertainment industry had not always used actors with pencil-figure shapes in movies.

In the '50s, an unknown named Norma Jean took Hollywood by storm.

As Marilyn Monroe she became the world's sex goddess. Monroe was a voluptuous woman, who was far from being ultra-thin.

The media emphasis on "thin" began in 1966 with a fashion model named Twiggy.

She was barely 90 pounds and she dominated the fashion industry for 10 years.

Fashion magazines began to use the thinnest models in the industry. If a model does not measure up to

the expected standards of 5'11" and 125 to 130 pounds, she will be unable to pursue a career in the fashion industry.

Recently, on the cover of People magazine three models admitted that they starved themselves to meet the expectations of the fashion industry.

In the entertainment industry, there have been several highly publicized cases of actresses and singers who have been either anorexic or bulimic.

About one year ago, Tracey Gold had to be hospitalized for anorexia nervosa.

Tragically, the singer Karen Carpenter died because of an eating disorder.

According to author Andrew Morton, Diana, Princess of Wales, has been a bulimic for several years.

Ultimately, the media should place less emphasis on what a person looks like. Rather they should stress the importance of what's on the inside. And we should all remember you can't judge a book by its cover.



## Letters to the Editor

# Editorial writer is uninformed about DSA issues

### To the editor:

The editorial by Kim Louie in the Jan. 11 edition of Spoke described the spending habits of the Doon Student Association (DSA).

Mr. Louie portrayed the DSA as failing to meet the students' needs and criticizes the "frivolous manner" in which funds are spent. He stated that the DSA should focus on student academic issues.

I agree with Mr. Louie: the needs of the students should be met! The DSA was founded for that purpose. But I believe Mr. Louie may have oversimplified or overlooked some issues.

1. Currently, the DSA is sponsoring a research study to determine student needs. The DSA hopes to find out what the students want,

where they would like funds spent, and how the DSA can improve.

The study also compares the DSA with other student governments to determine how they allocate their funds. From this study, the DSA hopes to become more responsive to its constituency.

2. On behalf of all students, the DSA has pledged \$250,000 to the college's fund-raising campaign. As well as the new school of business wing and school of engineering and technology, the money is being spent to renovate and improve all areas of the campus. The contribution aids all students in every part of the college, to provide more space, computer labs, and updated equipment. This is a significant display of dedication to the

students' academic and environmental needs.

3. Of the \$85,000 allocated to activities, \$45,575 goes directly to providing activities. Some of the expenditures from the funds include the student passport (a cost of more than \$13,000), a \$1,000 donation to peer tutors, a \$1,575 donation to the security patrol, \$2,625 to the awards banquet and \$1,500 for clubs organized by the students.

These activities and services cost \$19,700. Salaries and honorariums for one employee and three students cost \$39,425 while actual "activities" cost just under \$26,000.

To state that the DSA spends "...\$85,000 for activities..." is misleading. We believe that these pro-

jects provide academic support as well as "activities."

4. Many student groups within the college support their own academic needs. For example, the Doon Business Student Association (DBSA) funds its own computer lab — solely for business students.

The DSA would like to contribute to student projects, however, difficulties arise.

- How can the DSA be fair?

-How can the DSA give something to one group without alienating others?

-Where can a DSA-financed project be located?

5. The administrative decisions of the college are not shared with the DSA. The administration does

not consult with the DSA on most events, such as the closure of the test centre. The DSA found out about the situation after the test centre reopened. In fact, no students even came into the offices.

Mr. Louie said the closing of the test centre hurts mature students. We believe the closing of the test centre hurts every student.

If Spoke knew the test centre was closing, why did they not inform the public or the DSA?

Constructive criticism is necessary for and welcomed by the DSA. I think that Mr. Louie's comments were neither informed nor constructive.

Dave McQuillin  
DSA pub manager

## Students should speak up about women's prison

### To the editor:

Isn't bureaucracy wonderful? Nary a shovel has been lifted to begin construction on the women's prison slated for the Pioneer Park area of Kitchener, and already Conestoga College is investigating the possibility of having inmates attend classes at the Doon campus.

To make matters worse, if inmates do end up at the college, their identities may be kept from students and even faculty members. Infiltration could be absolute.

This is quite a system. Do not consult tuition-paying students

about this proposal and let them find out about it by reading their school newspaper.

If college president John Tibbits was truly "interested in the collective rights of our students," like he said he was in the Dec. 14 issue of Spoke, he would have at least had the courtesy to seek student input, perhaps by conducting a survey.

Instead, Tibbits sounds flippant: "Even in cases where someone has committed a very violent crime, it may be unlikely they'll do anything else," he said. "We probably have some students here now who are risky."

Like Tibbits, Fred Harris,

Conestoga's representative on an advisory board to the prison, fails to mollify.

He said it's his understanding that most of the crimes committed by women are domestic and "the odds are that person is not going to go out and shoot indiscriminately."

All the statistics in the world that attempt to prove female inmates are less dangerous than their male counterparts and that most crimes committed by women are of a "lesser" nature (theft, fraud and arson) do not justify the behind-closed-doors manner in which college officials appear to be han-

dling this situation.

It's important for anyone concerned about this issue to speak up now (parents of children attending the campus day care centre, I think, should be especially troubled).

Otherwise, students attending Conestoga in three of four years could be sitting beside a criminal and not even know it.

If our silence or indifference allows this to happen, we are as much at fault as those bureaucrats conspiring to bring this about.

Kenton Augerman  
3rd Semester Journalism

## Correction

In the Jan. 11 edition of Spoke, the photo accompanying the article about prostitution omitted to mention that it was a staged picture used solely as an example.

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## Cambridge cuts course hours

By Allana Gillam-Wright

The employment preparation program (EPP) offered at the Cambridge Campus of Conestoga College is undergoing a change this semester. Normally the employment preparation Ontario basic skills program has an average duration of 400 hours and comprises two phases.

The first phase was eight weeks long until this semester. It has now been shortened to four weeks on a trial basis.

"We are omitting the introduction of academics until the second phase of the program," said Sue Garlick, co-ordinator of the three preparatory courses offered in Cambridge.

During these four weeks, the students acquire skills and knowledge in the areas of career development strategies, career choices and study skills. The students are also required to perform an additional two-week work experience placement before moving on to the second part of the program.

The second phase may last up to 44 weeks and gives people without Grade 12 the chance to attain a college education, commonly



Russel Hodge, EPP student  
(Photo by Allana Gillam-Wright)

referred to as upgrading.

Students increase skills in mathematics, communications and science to either find employment or to meet the college requirements set out by college program co-ordinators.

Students often move into upgrading after completing the 16-week Futures course or

pre-employment preparation program (PEP).

Robert Howell completed the 16-week Futures course and is now enrolled in the EPP program.

"I think it's a good course," said Howell. "I am upgrading my education skills to apply for admission to the industrial maintenance course offered at the Guelph campus. I'm hoping this will get me a seat in September," Howell added.

Diana O'Shaughnessy is also upgrading her education for a career in industrial maintenance.

"The EPP program gave me a step in the right direction in choosing a career goal," said O'Shaughnessy.

Because many of the students enrolled in the EPP program are single parents who try to juggle a home while pursuing a career, counselling is offered.

The program is also tailored to meet individual needs so completion dates differ with each student.

There are two upgrading classes now in progress on the Cambridge campus, as well as one Futures class and two labor market language training programs.

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## Poor weather and diet cause illness

By Kathleen Sibley

Doon health office nurse Marilyn Fischer says seasawing temperatures, a steady diet of junk food and poor time management make students good candidates for illness.

Fischer said the office has been swamped with students complaining of headaches, colds, and neck and back stiffness. All these symptoms, she said, are part of the flu bug that "people just can't seem to shake."

Freezing weather puts bacteria and viruses on ice, but constant thawing resurrects them, making it difficult for people to fully recover, she said.

Fischer said the doctor does not want to treat everyone with antibiotics if other remedies can provide relief.

A number of students have reported migraine headaches, said the nurse, adding causes that trigger the condition vary according

to the individual. But, she said, students could lower the frequency of attacks by sleeping more and eating more fresh fruits and vegetables rather than greasy fast-foods.

Migraines, which are severe, pulsating one-sided headaches, are often accompanied by vomiting and sensitivity to light, sound and smell, said Fischer. Usually, diet and predisposition caused by heredity combine to make a person vulnerable to migraines.

Students who complain of migraines are often instructed to rest in one of the office's darkened rooms and given an antinauseant, or in some cases the office tries to contact a friend or family member who will pick the student up, said Fischer.

Stress only makes health problems worse, she said. "Everyone in most of our programs is complaining about stress, and I think they've got to look at how they're spending their time."

Fischer said the office is "looking to see what the focus will be" for new programs and campaigns, but that there have been no meetings yet. The medical criteria are in place for health sciences and early childhood education students, who must pass medical examinations and have their immunization records updated. The nurse said the rise in cases of tuberculosis among these students has made it necessary to maintain the annual TB skin test updates for second- and third-semester students in these departments.

Fischer said the office wants to make faculty, staff and administration more aware of "what we can do to help them." For example, she said, if someone has to go to the doctor they may need to take a day off. "We're not looking to take people away from their family doctors," she said, "but there may be some things we're able to help them with."

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# Proposed DSA summer helper can be link for DSA and college

By Natasha Sweeney

The Doon Student Association (DSA) needs a link with the college, said Mark Weicker, DSA vice-president of communications, during a discussion about hiring a part-time employee to help in the summer.

The proposal was brought up at the DSA executive meeting on Jan. 11.

The proposal stated the employee should be the DSA president or VP of communications, with others in executive positions following for the job.

It proposed a salary of \$8.00 an hour, and a four per cent vacation pay totalling \$166.40 a week. Also, the employee would "maintain order in the office," and "act as a liaison between the college and the

DSA," among other responsibilities.

At the meeting, Bruce Gilkinson, DSA entertainment manager, said "if people follow the guidelines," for the dismissal of an executive member, "why do we need a summer employee?"

In the agreement an executive member can be dismissed if he has "not committed office time of at least two days a week in the summer and a minimum of 10 hours during the school year." Two warnings are given before dismissal.

The employee's responsibilities discussed included finding out what happens at the college, and reporting it to the executive so they can voice their opinions on matters discussed.

"We should have a lot of power," said Dave McQuillin, DSA pub

manager, "but we don't.

"Suggestions were made to get the minutes from other meetings concerning students, so the DSA would know what was going on.

Weicker said "we are not some kind of a god that can see everything going on. If we know, we can voice our opinion.

"I think we are a puppet association," said Weicker. "We are caught in a bind and have to do something about it."

DSA president Todd Sutherland said the employee would act as a "liaison between college government, administration and students." The employee would be an "information officer," but would voice the DSA's opinion.

The proposal is to be changed and brought to the next meeting to be discussed again.

## Student opinions loud and clear on changing the Doon campus lounge

By Natasha Sweeney

The results are in.

A survey was recently circulated around Conestoga's Doon campus, asking students what changes they would like to see in the student lounge.

Forty six of 100 surveys were returned to the Doon Student Association, and a majority of the replies suggested putting in a bar, changing the furniture and turning down the music volume.

Other suggestions ranged from relocating the lounge to adding more chicks and having male strip-pers.

"How about a new color scheme. The colors in here are a little drab," said a student.

Another suggestion from a student was "put some new carpeting in there. The 70s are over (thankfully!)." Another student disagreed with

The majority of students said they would like TV monitors in the lounge. Most students wanted to watch MuchMusic. Others asked what would be played, how it would be decided and if the radio would interfere with the TV.

The students who disagreed with a TV monitor in the lounge, said they would rather listen to music and it would be a waste of money and they would rather go home than stay and watch the TV.

The majority of students also supported the idea of a pool table being added to the lounge. "I enjoy playing pool" said a student, "It's a good way to spend time between classes when you have spares. More people would stick around the college longer if there were more things to do. This would give people a chance to socialize with others."

Another student disagreed with

the addition and said "if a pool table was available a lot of people would skip classes."

There were many suggestions on furniture also. Students want more comfortable couches.

"One student said more comfortable chairs were needed "instead of those round, hard stools. These are not comfortable at all!"

Another student said the furniture should not be orange or wood. It "should be strong comfortable, easy to clean, and an attractive design."

The furniture should also be "not so hard, when you sit you don't slide, and better colors." They suggested grey.

"Either build a student building or change the lounge," said a student. "Socially, this school sucks!!"

Another said "the lounge is too small! Make it bigger or build another to lessen the crowd."



### Eight ball, corner pocket

DSA president, Todd Sutherland, breaks the first rack of balls on the new pool table in the student lounge on Jan. 15. Half the profits from the pool table go to the the DSA.

(Photo By Kim Louie)

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# The good life

## Doon campus administrator revels in work, friends and social life

By Gaynor Fletcher-Crewson

Linda Krotz is administrator of the Doon campus of Conestoga College. She also oversees each of the Learning Resource Centres at Doon, Guelph, Waterloo and Stratford (health sciences) visiting them occasionally to check on the workability of the various systems and procedures.

Jill Douglas is supervised by Krotz in her position as co-ordinator of the Doon Learning Resource Centre. "She is a lovely person, very funny, and always very well organized," says Douglas with a reflective smile. "She has a wonderful dress style, and a lovely deep, gruff kind of voice."

Observing Krotz's size-five shoes, and slim, five-foot-one-inch frame, one may have petite pop to mind until her low-pitched, raspy voice catches you by surprise, and defies any pre-conceived notions of something a couple of notes higher.

The smell of Estee Lauder perfume lingers in the air of her sun-lit office. A room that displays one of her strongest qualities with its wall-to-wall organization.

Books all fall in line at their edges, and ornaments are evenly spaced throughout the office. Even the sunlight that peeks through the verticals, falls into uniform lines across her clutter-free desk.

**"The college is a very exciting environment, the students are what makes it so exciting,"**

— Krotz

Starting each morning with an 8:30 meeting with her secretary, Marilyn D'Mello, Krotz's day usually follows with an even mixture of phone calls, meetings, planning and other in or out-of-office duties.

"A crooked picture on the wall or something that isn't filed away neatly can be easily recognised as one of Linda's pet hates," says D'Mello.

D'Mello has worked with Krotz for about seven of the 14 years of secretarial service she has given to the college. She describes her as being a "dedicated worker" who is also supportive of her staff.

Krotz confidently supervises a 23-member staff, including employees at the various campus libraries.

"I have an excellent staff," she says, taking her glasses off and resting them on a table. "They truly are very good workers who always pull their fair share." Sitting up straight in an easy chair, her silver-blond hair sits in an even under-curve on her shoulders.

Impeccably dressed in top quality, top-of-the-line business suits bearing designer names such as Linda Lindstrom and Wayne Clark, she still prefers her vast wardrobe collection of Liptons favorites, and says she purposefully avoids "frilly, girly, clothes with off-the-shoulder ruffles."

Her fashion sense speaks for itself and as she walks with ease and

confidence through the school halls. She could quite easily be mistaken for a sales clerk from one of Eaton's cosmetic counters — those that look as if they have just walked off the front page of Cosmopolitan.

With her disciplined and candid Capricorn traits apparent to most, she often wonders if she is sometimes criticized about them.

"I think some people would say that I'm too up front a lot of the time," she says, with an 'I don't really care smile,' creeping across her face.

Very straight-forward and considered tough when it comes to business, Krotz is highly respected among her colleagues and friends alike, as a professional.

"She has a wonderful sense of humor, and is very strict but exceptionally fair," says 12-year friend and colleague Delores Smith. "I am always confident that Linda will pull her weight, and will do her fair share of the work. She is very trustworthy," says Smith, a human resources officer at the college.

Another aspect of Krotz's career are the committees she sits on, one being the 'support staff classification committee,' chaired by Smith; and another, the 'support staff agreement union management.'

These other commitments are somehow slotted around her full-time position as administrator, which encompasses things like payroll, cash receivables, and campus reception as well as co-ordinating the registration and start up of the classes in the fall.

"Getting through the fall is, in itself, an extremely rewarding part of the job," says Krotz, who is also currently attending Wilfrid Laurier University, part-time.

Academic scheduling and test centre services are included on her list of duties as is control of the mass mailing that occurs during student registration. Since the recent amalgamation of daytime and evening services, Krotz is now responsible for providing campus services to continuing education students and faculty.

Payroll clerk, Rudy Glowacki, meets with Krotz as required, and works in the next office to hers. "She is really tiny," he says with a broad smile, "I know that she is very firm with her staff, but she is also very open and fair with them."

If you've ever wondered who is responsible for the dreaded mass of 800 young students that take up the

computer rooms in the summer, and send rude computer messages to the college students — wonder no more. Krotz and her office are responsible for most room allocations.

"The college is a very exciting environment, the students are what makes it so exciting," she says. "When you hear them talking in the hallways or in the washroom, it's amazing what you hear, and the school just seems so full of life compared to other campuses I've been to."

Myrna Nicholas, student services secretary, sees quite a lot of Krotz

love to entertain, and were once part of a dinner party circle which included three other food-loving couples. They took turns cooking for their other friends, various international dishes such as Russian, Hungarian, Creole, and French.

Her appetite for international cuisine is as developed as her love for music. She enjoys a variety which includes country, FM soft rock as well as the classical music she tends to favor. "I like to have two or three radios on around the house, so I can hear music whatever I may be doing."

With 22 years of marriage behind her, childless and petless, Krotz has difficulty in grasping how quickly the years have crept by, pulling her into an age group that she still associates with her 72-year-old mother. "I remember thinking that my mom was really old when she was 45," she says, "I can't really grasp the fact that I've reached that age bracket." Bold red lipstick matches her fingernails that frequently rest upon her bottom lip, as she ponders her responses.

An Irish mother and English father raised Krotz, along with her three brothers and one sister, on a dairy farm in between Palmerston and Drayton, "heaven forbid if anybody says I come from Rothsay," she says, which is, unfortunately for Krotz, very near to where she comes from.

Her mother, a lady who has always inspired her motivation, was taking a course in Toronto as well as running the dairy farm and raising five children. Krotz would always help care for her

younger siblings from an early age.

At 10 she would prepare their lunches and place all four children on a school bus each morning.

"My mother thinks that may be the reason for my decision to not have kids of my own, she thinks I did too much, too young," she says, dismissing her mother's assumptions with a flick of the wrist and a roll of her eyes.

"I was sure I would eventually

move away from the small town and always knew I would never marry a farmer," says Krotz, remembering a date she once had with a Harriston boy. "He told me that if we married, his parents would give us the farm. I immediately left the car and called my dad to pick me up — what a scare." Her arms, once again developing a life of their own, flew into action, as they helped to describe her childhood memory.

Bored with small-town life, the gossip, and the other teenagers who were content with "driving up and down main street in their souped-up cars," Krotz had other goals in mind, and wanted to achieve much more. Her hazel-brown eyes looked out through the window, they showed an inner contentment, with her life the way it is now, the way she has made it.

Krotz says her whole family are highly motivated, high achievers, and they all dress with excellent taste — which, again, probably stems from the influence of her mother who even now can outdress any one of them. She says they are all "materialistic," and strive to be productive.

"I do feel very fortunate," she says, noting that she realizes the importance of charities, and gives to places like Anselma House, and the United Way, as well as helping out the Kitchener food bank in times of need.

With not much time for hobbies, in her action-packed 11-to-12 hour days, she does enjoy the simple things in life with her witty, and empathic "other half."

"I can honestly say that in our entire marriage, Bernie has never managed to hurt me, he's a very kind and sensitive man," she says, in a slightly serious and softer tone.

They love to go away together around the Caribbean and Europe, lounging around drinking 'scotch on the rocks' or wine, and absorbing the peace and rest from her "anything but uneventful" career. "I'm not one for sitting around and painting the baseboards when it comes to holidays," she jokes, glancing at the dainty gold watch on her arm.

Exercise is also a daily commitment for Krotz as she practises muscle-toning calisthenics, and goes for long walks with Bernie. "My masseuse won't let me run, she says it's bad for me — so I walk," says Krotz.

After getting lost in conversation, an alarm evidently goes off inside her punctual and efficient mind, reminding her about an appointment she has in about five minutes.

She disappears around the corner, the sound of her clicking heels, fading, as the short, sharp steps carry her off, and on to her next appointment.



Linda Krotz

(Photo by Gaynor Fletcher-Crewson)

during a typical working week. "She is very professional, a lady who knows her stuff," says Nicholas, "Oh yes, she's a very smart cookie but always, always fair."

The college cafeteria, as well as fast food, are out of bounds for Krotz, who watches her weight as much as her wardrobe. "I'm short and I don't want to get fat," she says, gently slapping her hands on her thighs.

A frequent husky laugh and habitual smile gives way to an even set of white teeth, and tells about the funny, and somewhat bold sense of humor intrinsic to her personality.

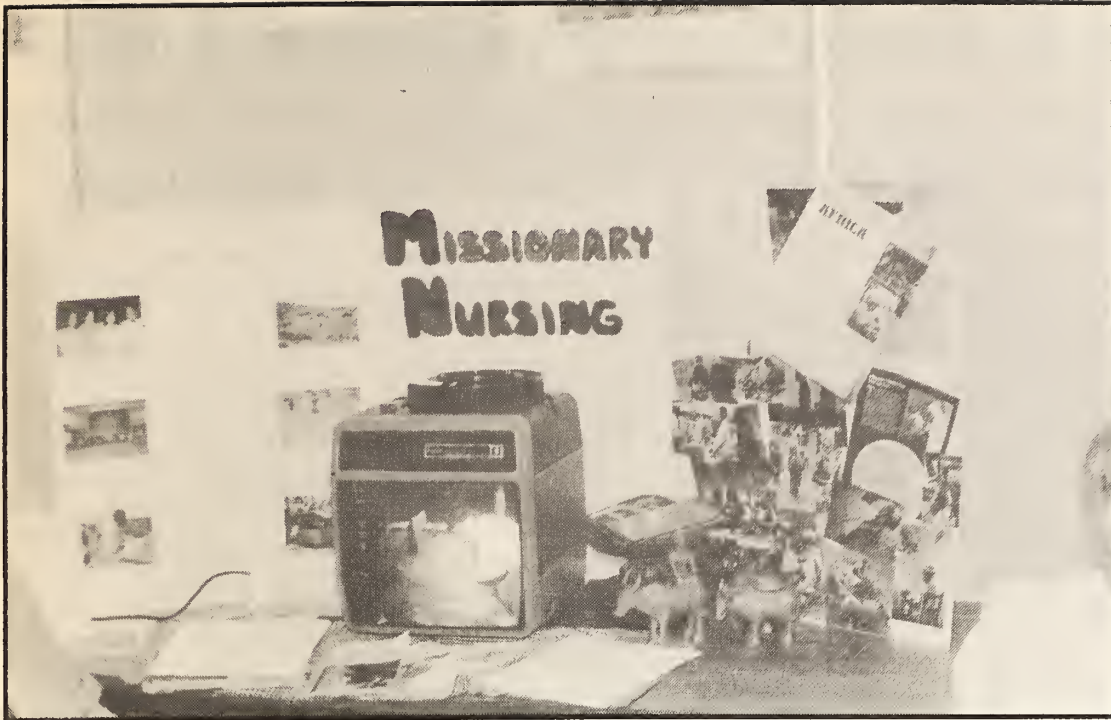
Krotz likes to eat out at least once or twice a week, pleasing her taste buds with French and Italian cuisine at such hot spots as Janet Lynn's, The Black Shop, and George's in Guelph.

Krotz and her husband Bernie,

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Nursing students investigate job opportunities with the nursing job display located in the Student-Client Services building on Jan. 14.

(Photo by Kathleen Sibley)

## Nursing employment display promotes diverse opportunities

By Kathleen Sibley

Nursing students who hope to work in Canada should look for jobs in areas other than just hospitals or clinics. That's the consensus of the health sciences pre-graduate students who put on a job opportunities display Jan. 14.

The students, whose displays included educational devices such as videos, pamphlets, books and posters, presented a variety of nursing job opportunities as well as the education, experience and personal qualities required for each area.

For the nurse with an urge for adventure, military nursing might be just what the doctor ordered. If the applicants get past the interviews and tests, said display participant Tammy Gormley, they still have to go through basic training. English-speakers take a seven-month French course and all take officer training.

Military nurses work in basic conditions and participate in disaster relief and evacuations, said Gormley, who said they can expect to work in war zones.

But, she said, in spite of the "lousy pay," there is room to climb the professional ladder, and often the military will pay for further education.

For those whose commitment to people and nursing goes beyond the quest for adventure, and whose sights are not set on salary alone, missionary nursing is another possibility. Barbara Brenner, one of

the students who put on the display, said she and her husband have talked about her becoming a missionary nurse but that she's not sure yet what she wants to do. "You have to have an inner spiritual motivation," she said. "It has to be more than just an adventure."

Missionary nurses are often funded by their home churches or local organizations, both of which expect the nurse to raise part of the money, said Brenner, adding that funders screen applicants carefully to determine commitment and suitability.

Another area for nurses with wanderlust is that of travelling nurse. Nurses are sponsored by a hospital or company and sent around Canada, the U.S. and Europe on assignments of varying lengths. A year's experience in a specific area is required, said display participants Brenda Tanner, Jennifer Isenor, Cathy Sowerby and Kendall Osthoff, all of whom said they are interested in becoming travelling nurses.

And as hospitals continue to suffer budget cuts, more opportunities for nurses are opening up in community-based programs such as the Victorian Order of Nurses (VON), said Janine Reimer, one of the VON display participants. The VON program, which some pre-grad students are now beginning, involves going into patients' homes and using their facilities, said Reimer. "It helps the hospitals out a lot and it helps keep an eye on how

people are doing in their homes," she said. Reimer said the VON program is expanding so fast, especially in the Kitchener-Waterloo area, that the requirement of two years' experience is often waived.

Gerontological nursing display participants Brenda Huins, Kim Munro and Linda Donkers said Canada's aging population and the technology that keeps people alive longer make gerontology a growing area of nursing opportunities. Also increasingly community-based, gerontology is a field in which nurses have to look for a need and make their own futures, they said.

The recognition that pregnancy and birth are not illnesses but natural parts of life is making home births more popular and creating a need for midwives, said midwifery display participants Brigitta Knobloch, Jane de Haas, Valerie Johnston and Margaret Holst. Midwives can now practise legally in Ontario and are covered by OHIP, they said.

Among the displays of nursing opportunities in traditional or hospital settings were oncology (care of cancer patients) and palliative care (care of the dying), pediatric, critical care and emergency care nursing.

Display participants reported that nurse clinicians, renal (kidney patient) and occupational health nursing are areas of limited opportunity for graduating nurses due to changes in health care policies.



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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Hard work paid off: Aladdin is Disney's latest masterpiece

By Becki Chmielewski

It took more than four years to complete, under the art direction of Deborah Ann Hayes and Lea Holland, but Disney's latest masterpiece, Aladdin, was worth the wait.

According to the Nov. 27 and Dec. 2 issues of The Toronto Star, Aladdin was supposed to be released before Disney's last hit, Beauty and the Beast, but research into architecture, miniatures and the intense, rich colors of the Arab

world delayed the film. Their hard work has paid off.

If you were impressed with the animation in Beauty and the Beast, you will be awed by Aladdin's.

The actors supplying the voices for the movie were videotaped dur-

ing their performances in order to incorporate some of their mannerisms into the animation of the characters.

Because the idiosyncrasies are included, the characters have a more life-like quality.

The eye-catching animation includes scenery that almost looks real, and only Disney can make an inanimate object like a magic carpet seem virtually human.

Combined with an incredible soundtrack, by the Grammy Award-winning team of composer Alan Menken and lyricist Howard Ashman, (both responsible for The Little Mermaid and Beauty and the Beast sound tracks) along with lyricist Tim Rice, it creates a new work of art that will be considered another Disney classic.

Rice replaced Ashman after his death in 1991.

The vocals are impressive as well. Aladdin's singing voice (supplied by Brad Kane) is smooth and classic. Jasmine's singing voice is supplied by Lea Salonga, who appeared on Broadway in Miss Saigon.

Her vocals are fresh and have an innocent sound which is perfect in a scene where Aladdin takes Jasmine for her first ride on his magic carpet.

Surprisingly, the Genie (whose vocals are done by Robin Williams) also has a wonderful and powerful voice.

Williams steals the show with the song, Friend Like Me.

Reality vanishes as you are transported to Agrabah, where the movie takes place.

The Sultan (voice by Douglas

Seale) insists his daughter, Jasmine (Linda Larkin), must marry a prince before her next birthday, which is in three days. Unhappy that she must marry, Jasmine flees from the palace. She first meets Aladdin (Scott Weinger) when he rescues her from an angry vendor in the marketplace (a place she had never been before); she took an apple to feed a hungry boy, but had no money to pay for it.

Back at the palace, the movie bad-guy, Jafar (Jonathan Freeman), the Sultan's advisor, offers to help find a prince for Jasmine to marry — for a price.

After getting the ring, Jafar uses it to find out who can enter the Cave of Wonders to retrieve the magic lamp. The only person who could enter the cave is Aladdin.

Jafar, who exudes evil, sends his goons out to get Aladdin. He then tricks our hero into getting the lamp.

Aladdin, after getting the lamp, notices there is writing on it and rubs the lamp to read it.

And, well, you know what happens next — the Genie makes his grand entrance, "THE GENIE OF THE LAMP," he bellows before saying, "Right here...direct from the lamp," in a priceless Ed Sullivan imitation.

Then he does a big song and dance and grants Aladdin three wishes.

The rest of the movie involves the lamp changing hands from Aladdin to Jafar then back to Aladdin who, throughout the movie, is trying to win the love of Jasmine.

All I will reveal about the ending is this: I almost cried; it is beautiful.

It is a movie I will never get tired of watching and was definitely worth the price of admission.



(Illustration by Becki Chmielewski)

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## Downey is captivating in Chaplin biography

By Julie Magee

Robert Downey Jr. is not just an actor playing Charlie Chaplin. Rather Downey is Charlie Chaplin.

In Richard Attenborough's Chaplin, Downey plays the tramp to perfection. Throughout the movie he pantomimes Chaplin with great authenticity.

The movie begins with Charlie as a small boy growing up in Victorian England and follows him through to his ascent into Hollywood. Many years later, he is thrown out of the U.S. by J. Edgar Hoover, and the film traces his life through the final days in Switzerland with his last wife Oona (Moir Kelly).

Attenborough creates a refresh-

ing twist by establishing a narrative format to the movie. A (fictitious) biographer played by Anthony Hopkins persuades an elderly Chaplin to tell his life story. Yet Attenborough shows how the biographer has to literally pull teeth to get Chaplin to reveal his life.

What makes this movie stand out is Attenborough allowing the audience to not only see the physical side of Chaplin, but the emotional side as well. However, the director would have had a difficult time capturing the real essence of Chaplin if it wasn't for Downey.

Thus far, Downey's acting career had not been outstanding, with less-than-memorable roles in Air America, The Pick-Up Artist and Less Than Zero. Fortunately his

portrayal of Chaplin may change all that. Downey has been nominated for a Golden Globe Award for his riveting performance in Chaplin.

As a bonus the film has more than just Downey's masterful portrayal. The rest of the cast also gives a powerful performance.

Kevin Kline plays Chaplin's longtime comrade, Douglas Fairbanks, and Dan Aykroyd portrays the comic/director Mack Sennett who gave Chaplin his first break in Hollywood.

One of Chaplin's downfalls in life was women. He married a succession of young women played brilliantly by Mila Jovovich, Diane Lane and Moira Kelly. The role of his mother is played by Chaplin's

daughter Geraldine Chaplin who gives a stunning performance in playing her own institutionalized grandmother.

The most touching scene in Chaplin is toward the end when the actor is asked to return to America to accept a special achievement award at the 1972 Academy Awards. Chaplin watches himself in the movie clips from his younger days, which moves him a great deal. Downey plays Chaplin to perfection in this scene.

Chaplin is a touching and breathtaking movie which young and old would thoroughly enjoy. This is the best film of the year due to Downey's awe-inspiring role of the tramp — Downey is Charlie Chaplin.

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# Continuing ed students inform others about college

By Kathleen Sibley

If you are a continuing education student, watch for the Continuing Education Student Association (CESA) communication blitz at all Conestoga College campuses Jan. 11-14 and 18-21 from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Representatives from CESA, which was formed a year ago and whose members are all continuing education students, will be wearing bright yellow badges and handing out flyers in an effort to meet other continuing education students and inform them about the college.

Since the department's student

population tends to be more transient than that of full-time students, they need to be told more frequently about things like the recreation centre, which they can use by buying a membership or paying a \$5 per day non-member fee, said Franika Banks, co-ordinator of continuing education and part-time studies.

They also need to be informed about the centre's newsletter, the task force on curriculum review and design, new courses and upcoming events, she said.

Representatives from CESA sit on the college council and the Women's Safety Audit Group, said

Banks, who said that their representative is the only one who is not a college employee. "I found it interesting that we do have an input," said Banks.

Part-time students will also have the chance to voice their opinion about their instructors and courses at the learner feedback forums starting Feb. 1 at the Stratford campus. Feb. 9 is the date for Waterloo campus, Feb. 17 for Guelph and Feb. 25 for Doon.

The forums will be held at 8 p.m. and attended by members of CESA, director Marilyn Black Lambert and department chairs, said Banks.

Banks, who reported an all-time high of 11,128 enrolled in the fall semester, up 1,242 from last year's 9,886, said the evaluations are an continuing part of the program. This time, however, students will have the opportunity to evaluate the course — the curriculum and the material — as well as the instructor, she said.

The information gathered at the forums will help the department decide if curriculum needs updating or revitalizing, and reveals interesting facts about students that "boggles my mind," said Banks. For example, she said, the last feedback forum showed that 21 per cent of

the participants said they were taking courses as a hobby or for personal interest, second only to the 31 per cent who said they were taking courses to update their skills.

The students' ratings of the continuing education centre's service, accessibility and course catalogue, as well as the reasons students gave for taking courses and other personal information, provide the student with a student profile that keeps them in touch with students' needs, said Banks.

An evaluation process for one-day workshops and English as a second language classes has not yet been implemented, she said.

## Peer helping administrator away on maternity leave

By Lori Liphard

The decision to work at Conestoga College's Doon campus "was the curiosity to see what it was like at Doon," said Gillian Oldfield, peer helping services administrator, who has replaced Val Gennings.

Oldfield said she has worked at Conestoga's other three campuses and liked the idea of working in a different environment for a change.

She replaced Gennings Oct. 9, because Gennings gave birth Nov. 11 to a baby girl, Paige Nadine.

Oldfield said she will be replacing Gennings until the end of March.

Oldfield, who applied for the position, is working part-time. She said for the past two years she has been working at the Cambridge campus as a life-skills coach and placement officer for the Futures program. She still works at Cambridge on Fridays.

She said she has a variety of responsibilities at Doon, which involve administrative work and taking requests from people within or outside the college who would like to use the peer helping services or tours.

Oldfield said she also sets up peer shadows, "where students from outside the college would like to find out more about a particular program." For this, she said she organizes a day where a prospective student shadows a particular program, for example, the nursing program. Oldfield requests a peer helper in that program to escort the person to and from the first-year classes and introduce the student to the co-ordinator of the program. She also has the peer helper spend about an hour with the person to talk about what the peer helper's experience was as a first-year student. Oldfield said she tries to "match up" a mature student with a mature peer helper, so the two can talk about things they may have in common.

The purpose of having peer shadows is "to see things from their (the peer helper's) experience. It's also less intimidating for both people involved," Oldfield said.

There are 45 peer helpers at Doon and Oldfield said she is currently recruiting new helpers for the following year.

She said there are six helpers at Waterloo and at Guelph campus

there are two. Juliet Campbell is responsible for peer helping and tutoring at both places, she said.

One of the requirements to be a helper, Oldfield said, is that the student must have a least a B average. Some are also recommended by the co-ordinator of the program the helper is in.

She said peer helpers start with a pay of \$6.35 per hour (minimum wage) and after 50 hours of work their pay is increased to \$6.85 per hour.

"They're a great group of students," said Oldfield. "I've really enjoyed working with them. There are some who have really interesting personalities. I like the idea of students helping students. I really believe in that concept."

Oldfield said she does not like to be inactive. "I like to keep giving myself challenges," she said.

One challenge Oldfield said she has experienced "was being able to come in and take over something that was already running, not knowing the information ahead of time."

"Val did an excellent job of the program. Trying to keep up with her expectations will be a definite

challenge," she said.

Jenn Davies, peer services assistant, said Oldfield has adjusted "very well," and "she's got an excellent personality."

Oldfield said the Cambridge campus is very small. She would often talk to people over the phone from Doon, she said, but at Doon she has been able "to put faces to names" and finally meet the people she has talked to.

She said people at Doon have

been helpful and friendly since she has arrived. "If I looked lost, they would sort of push me in the right direction," she said.

Oldfield said she is currently "winding down" the number of peer shadows because peer helpers are busy and classrooms are being used for exams. But she said tours are still occurring and there are also different requests "coming in all the time and we will continue to try and fill them."

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### Counsellor's Corner with Pat Trudeau



Thanks, Dad. That one extra box you slipped into the truck when I packed up the Christmas gifts was the best gift of all.

My father was cleaning out junk from the basement and probably surmised that I would never volunteer to take my old school books. Some were 30 years old.

What I found when I opened that surprise box was my life's beginnings being given back to me.

All the special books that had inspired me throughout high school, college and university were there in that box of memories. These were the ones I had saved because I thought they would mean something some-

day.

Over the last few years, community colleges, in conjunction with the Ministry of Education, have explored the need for a more eclectic or "general" education. "Do we really need a plumber who has read Hamlet?" sceptics ask.

As I retrieved my copy of Hamlet plus books with titles such as Le Petit Prince, Norton's Anthology of Literature, Aristotle, The Prophet, and Roman Mythology, I was struck by how much my life and work have been influenced by these yellowing pages. To be or not to be? To read or not to read? I chose to read and today cherish what I learned then.

When I hear students complain about having to read beyond their immediate discipline or having to buy an art book which "I'll only look at once," I wonder if they are missing out. Jobs, money and a diploma/cer-

tificate alone do not a person make.

In answer to the question about the well-read plumber, I say "yes".

While talking with my plumber a few weeks ago about theories of learning, I asked where he had gotten his certificate. I was glad that he answered "Conestoga."

Read broadly and if it touches you, hold on to that book. You might just find parts of yourself in some old box years from now and be glad.

Pat Trudeau is a counsellor at the Doon Student Services. This is one in a series of articles on student success, issues and problem solving.



# Stratford campus helps Somalia

By Garry Erb

When the clerk at Conestoga College's Stratford campus witnessed the pain and suffering of people in Somalia she had to act.

Joyce Steinacher said she could not sit idly by after seeing a Somali refugee on the evening news.

Holding back the tears Steinacher said, "I have never seen a child so thin and frail, the poor little thing was laying on the ground trying to pull a blanket over himself.

"I told the people I work with we had to do something."

So, Steinacher, with the help of Michael Harttrup, instructor with Futures and employee re-entry program, organized a "Hungry Bear" luncheon, which was held at the Stratford campus Sept. 23 and raised \$110 for the Somalian refugees.

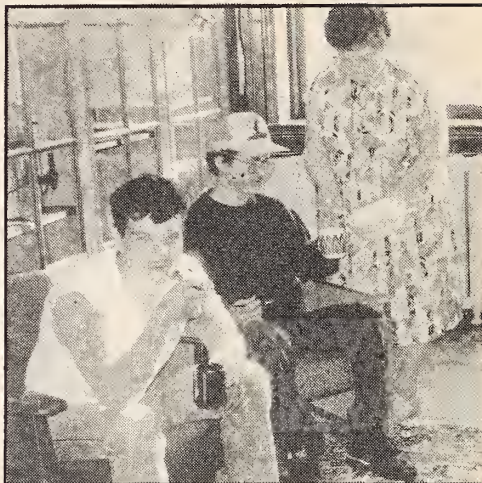
The food, supplies and preparation time were donated by the faculty and staff from the Stratford campus.

Four different kinds of chili were provided along with rolls, squares and juice — all for \$2.99.

Harttrup said, "People from the Ontario basic skills program, the Futures program and other retraining programs here at the Stratford campus took part in the luncheon, and I think everyone had a good time."

Steinacher said, "Many of the part-time students, especially the older ones, do not really feel like a part of the college and I think the Hungry Bear luncheon brought about a feeling of unity that was good to see."

Steinacher said when she took the money raised to the Red Cross, she was told "100 per cent of the money goes to the place it has been designated for."



Stratford students enjoying their chili.

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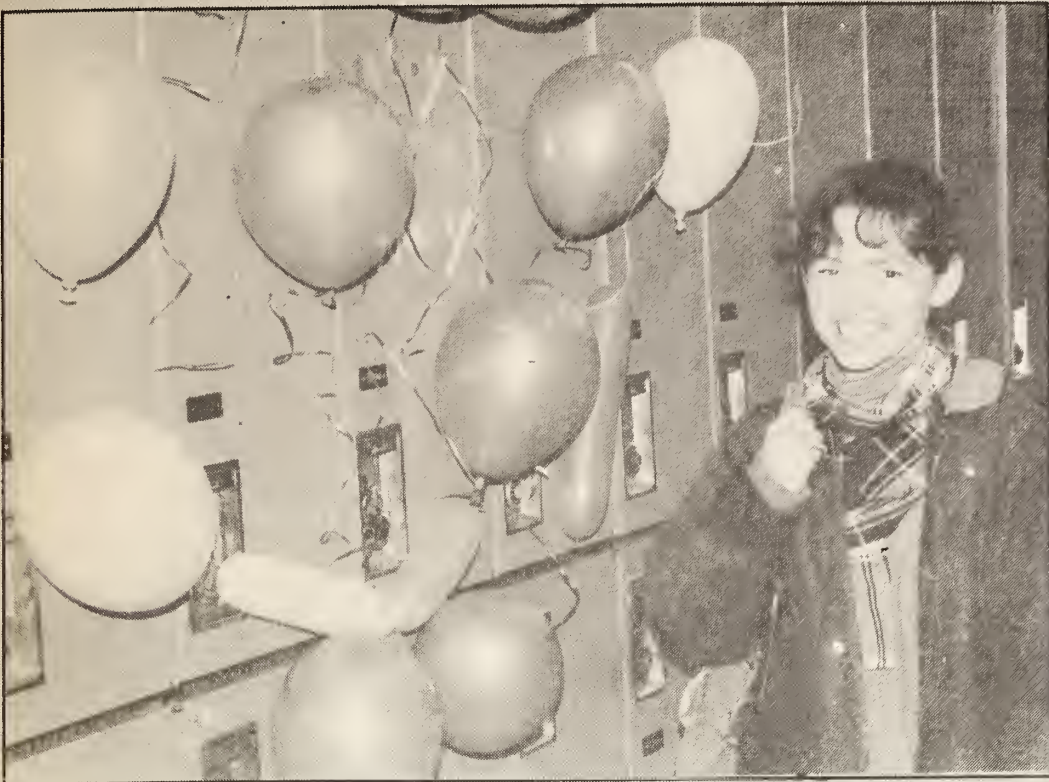
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## Happy Birthday

Cammy Keating, a third-year broadcasting radio and television student, was surprised on her 21st birthday by fellow students who decorated her locker.

(Photo by Kim Louie)

## New programs launched at Waterloo

By Al Horn

Conestoga College's Waterloo campus launched a new program Jan. 11. Landscape skills, a program sponsored by the K-W and Guelph Training Advisory Council, has aroused excitement among its students.

"I was working at Grobe Nursery and you realize what you don't know, so this program of-

fers great skills" said Brian Butler, one of 20 students in the new program.

"I'm trying to get a job in the park conservation area" said Otto Ralon, who also finds the course interesting because he is learning English as well.

The length of the program is 18 weeks, 14 of which will be spent in class training, while the remaining four weeks will be set

aside for work placement within the landscape industry.

Liz Lawless, program co-ordinator, said about 30 people applied to the program. Each applicant was required to be 19 years of age or older and undergo the usual formalities of the application process.

Lawless will also be teaching three of the six courses which make up the program.

## Triple bill proves Arc Angels are contenders

By Jason Schneider

There are a lot of things to like about the Arc Angels. There's Charlie Sexton, a former teen heartthrob who can still generate a few screams. There's Doyle Bramhall II, guitar hero-in-training as well as fashion trendsetter in his purple velvet suit. Plus, at no extra charge, Tommy Shannon and Chris Layton, two *bona fide* rock legends-by-association who stood in the shadow of the late Stevie Ray Vaughan.

Their Jan. 15 show at Lulu's in Kitchener proved that these guys have the potential to become rock heavyweights if they can bridge the gap between Sexton and Bramhall's diverse styles.

Since the Arc Angels have only been together for more than a year, Bramhall and Sexton are still searching for a comfortable middle ground in their songwriting. This show made it clear that the Angels are a band of individual egos instead of a single unit.

The Austin, Texas-based group's self-titled debut album immediately became a staple on "classic rock" radio due to its slick, retro-sounding production.

The Stevie Ray connection helped sales but the songs showed that Sexton was more than just another pretty face. However, when performed live, Sexton's material came across as plodding, drawn-out dirges, better suited to an arena rather than a roadhouse.

On the other hand, Bramhall seemed more eager to please the audience by turning in majestic solos on John Lee Hooker's Dimples and Jimi Hendrix's Angel. Even the Bramhall-led originals, like Living In A Dream and Sent By Angels, soared higher than the studio versions, due mostly to his muscular guitar playing.

Despite Bramhall's performance, the overall sound of the Angels' set was marred by the excessive reverb placed on the lead vocals and the warehouse of guitars and guitar effects used by Bramhall and Sexton.

Overkill wasn't a factor with the other two bands on the bill. Toronto-based blues trio Big Sugar kicked off the evening with an eclectic set of updated standards. Though they refrained from playing any original material off their debut album, the no-

frills lineup of guitar, stand-up bass and drums breathed new life into dinosaurs like Bo Diddley's Roadrunner and Willie Dixon's I Can't Quit You. Big Sugar showed that, once again, less is more.

Next came Minneapolis country-rockers The Jayhawks, who are currently gaining momentum with their new album, Hollywood Town Hall. Since they started this mini-Canadian tour, The Jayhawks's leaders Mark Olsen and Gary Louris have constantly been compared to Blue Rodeo's Greg Keelor and Jim Cuddy by the Canadian press.

While they turned in a solid set of original, melodic tunes, The Jayhawks couldn't match the diversity and grace that Blue Rodeo has shown in recent months. That's not to say The Jayhawks weren't enjoyable. Louris's beautifully fuzzy guitar drove songs like Wait To Follow and Olsen's appearance and vocals resembled another Minnesota native, Bob Dylan. Olsen also had kind words for Lulu's, saying that, "more K-Marts should be turned into nightclubs." No argument here.

## Bright outlook for Detweiler which plans to use less energy

By Sheri Hargreaves

By changing nothing more than attitudes, a project at the Detweiler Electrical Centre is expected to prove that a 20 to 40 per cent reduction in energy used for lighting can be achieved.

Monitors were installed on the Doon campus building's 600-volt transformer Jan. 12 by Victor Sookram, Ontario Hydro energy services technologist, and will be metering the present electrical energy consumption.

"For the first two weeks, we'll go on wasting energy like we do," Norm Socha, faculty member and energy saving specialist, said.

After the data of normal use, recorded in 15-minute intervals for two weeks, is collected and studied, the monitors will be reinstalled and all students, faculty, support staff and administration will be requested to perform in a more efficient manner.

According to Sookram, two weeks of monitoring will give a good impression of when energy is being consumed. The participants will observe the difference in consumption between factors such as day and night, sunny days to dull, and weekdays to weekends.

There will be one week between the two phases of monitoring when everyone will be informed of the recommendations. Posters, stickers and signs promoting energy efficiency will be displayed.

Participants should not change their habits until the second phase of the monitoring.

There will be an increase in everybody's understanding of energy saving, "just by people turning lights off, nothing more," Socha said.

While this project concentrates solely on the consumption of electrical energy, Socha predicted it will inspire other projects.

"I think we are going to develop a sensitivity to other problem areas," Socha said. "Eventually, the whole college can save."

Because the project does not in-

volve special devices such as high-efficiency bulbs or timers, the project will cost the college nothing and the efficient use of electricity should result in lower cost. The money saved could then be invested into energy-saving hardware that would increase savings again, Socha said.

Although this is a school project the results will be as significant as if the monitoring had been done at an actual job site.

"It's like a domino effect," Socha said. "Anything we can do now to reduce and prevent the expansion of facilities like dams and nuclear reactors (is beneficial). It's going to save for the company, it's going to save the environment, and it's going to save for us, because we won't have to pay so much."

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# SPORTS

## Another loss for men's basketball Condors

By Christian England

The Conestoga basketball Condors lost in a one-sided affair to the Sheridan College Bruins 102-66, Jan. 14 at the Kenneth E. Hunter Recreation Centre. The loss drops the Condors' regular season record to one win and nine losses.

The Bruins and the Condors played tight defensive ball for the first 10 minutes of the game, however sloppy clearing passes, and capitalization of rebounds allowed both teams to put points on the board.

Sheridan began to execute precision ball control in Conestoga's end with quick passes in the key, leading to excellent scoring chances.

The Condors responded with hard play on the boards, providing good rebound opportunities which were capitalized on.

Tight play on the boards produced a very physical style of play between the teams, which forced the Bruins and the Condors to incorporate a man to man defence.

The first 13 minutes of the contest saw the Bruins and the Condors play an evenly matched game.

However, with seven minutes left in the opening half, Condors' forward Kelly Magnusen received a technical foul which resulted in the Bruins scoring eight unanswered points. "The technical penalty on Magnusen turned into an eight-point foul and everything went downhill for us from there," said Condors' co-coach Dave Lack.

The technical foul took the morale out of the Condors, and the Bruins subsequently scored 20 unanswered points and began running away with the game. "We played excellent ball for the first 13 minutes of the game, and if played that way for 40 minutes we would have won," said Lack.

On the very next series Kelly Magnusen was knocked out of the game after being accidentally hit in the face by Bruins' centre Ian Coaton.

This hindered Conestoga's ability to continue tight play on the boards as Magnusen, known for his strong play under the basket, had to be taken to the hospital. "Magnussen is very strong on rebounds and we really missed him tonight," said Lack.

Conestoga started the second-half

trailing the Bruins by a score 55-32, and the Bruins continued to dominate under the basket at both ends of the court. The Condors had trouble containing Sheridan's two dominating centres, Ian Coaton and Dave Sherwood, who combined for a total of 38 points on the game, and fuelled a 22-point run by the Bruins in the second half.

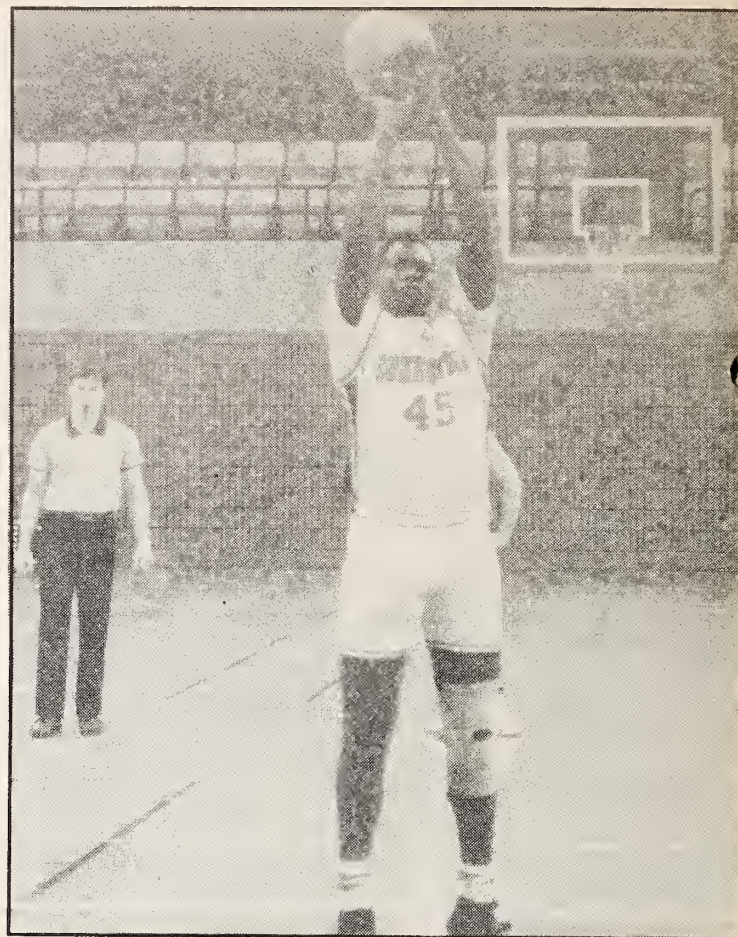
Centre Ishmael Lewis managed to add a spark to the Condors' sluggish offense by capitalizing on numerous rebounds and seven free-throw opportunities. Lewis led the Condors in scoring with 15 points on the night — 11 of which came in the first half.

"Ishmael Lewis played one of his best games, and we're very pleased with his performance," said Lack.

Junior Hamilton, Joel Eidt, and Darren Richmond each had 10 points for the Condors.

The two leading scorers for the Bruins were Dave Sherwood with 21 points and Ian Coaton with 17, followed by Andrew Shepherd with 14 and James Rogers with 12.

The Condors next regular season game is 8 p.m. Jan 20 at Humber College.



Condor centre Ismael Lewis shoots a free-throw Jan. 14.

(Photo by Christian England)

## Intramural sports prove to be successful

By Jason Schmidt

After the successful participation of last semester, the Kenneth E Hunter Recreation Centre is anticipating another excellent turnout for intramural sports this semester.

The winners for last semester are as follows:

Session one, which ran from September until half-way through October, saw Arden's Army taking the co-ed slowpitch title while Cherry's were the winners of the men's fastball.

Session two, which was held from mid October until exam time, saw Missing Treasure winning co-ed volleyball while the co-ed broomball title went to Lasa Lightning. Also, The Boyz were the champions of the men's ball-hockey team.

Intramural sports for this semester include co-ed volleyball, co-ed broomball, co-ed basketball, men's ball hockey, women's floor hockey and men's contact hockey.

An Extramural tournament which is set for Feb. 12 includes eight teams for co-ed hockey and nine

teams for co-ed volleyball.

Overall there are 23 teams participating in intramural sports this semester which, according to Barb McCauley, coordinator of athletic programs at Conestoga College, is great participation.

"Basically students just pick and choose what they want to play, whatever is convenient for them," she says.

"Students like intramural sports because it gives them a chance to blow off steam and relieve pressure of everyday studies."

## Applications are now being taken for the 1993/94 STUDENT ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

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